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# CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUP INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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1. Location: Approximately 11 km ENE of Budapest, just off the Budapest-Csömör railway line.
2. Air Field: Approximately 600 meters square. It is surfaced with sand and gravel and partially overgrown. No concrete runways were discernible. The field is surrounded by barbed wire and a guardhouse is located close to the entrance.
3. Night Illumination System: The only lights are warning lights installed on the former Hungarian automotive factory SW of field and nearby buildings NW of air field installations. It was reported that occasionally the field is lighted by flares if necessary.
4. Aircraft: About 15 YAK-9's assigned to the field made a routine one-hour training flight in formation. About 30 LA-7's were parked in formation along the NE side of the field close to the northernmost hangar. Six German-built ME-111's were parked near the SE hangar. It was reported that about 70 planes are normally stationed at the field, of which approximately half are Soviet training planes without D/F or radio equipment. Since they were not visible Sub-source assumes they may have been parked in the hangars. It was also said that the Soviets held frequent target practice at planes S of the field.
5. Operations tower: Located at E corner of the air field. One fixed wind "T" S of operations tower.
6. Barracks: The barracks near the entrance are used by the Soviets for classrooms and mess; the other barracks serve as billets. Both barracks are two-story buildings.
7. Personnel: Soviet officers live in the village of Matyasfold. About 200 Soviet personnel were stationed at the field, as of 8 November 1946.
8. Motor Pool: Located at NE side of the field; holds about 15 vehicles of which 3 are U.S. 1-ton jeeps, and 2 are U.S. 2½-ton trucks. The remainder are CEM vehicles.
9. Hangars: There are three, each about 25 m long, 15 m wide and 12 m high. Each hangar has a small workshop permitting normal maintenance operations but no major repair work.

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